(b) whether the thirteen posts of LDCs sanctioned by Government have since been filled up;

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor ;

(d) whether the Directorate General, Doordarshan had approached the Government of India for the creation of a few more posts during the last two years ; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL) : (a) Departmental examination for promotion of Group 'D' employees to posts of Lower Division Clerk (LDC) in all the Ministries and offices participating in the Central Secretariat Clerical Service (including the Directorate General of Doordarshan) is conducted by the Staff Selection Commission annually.

(b)and(c) Out of the total 52 posts of LDC sanctioned for the Directorate General of Doordarshan (including the 13 posts referred to in part(g) of Unstarred Question No. 88 answered in the Rajya Sabha on 18-7-86), five posts are at present lying vacant. Occurrence of vacancies due to resignation, etc. is a continual process and filling up of these vacancies depend on the availability of suitable candidates sponsored by the Staff Selection Commission.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Out of the total 52 posts referred to in the answer to parts (b) and (c) above, three posts have been created in the last two years.

Documentary on Andhra Pradesh

1602. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the script for the production of a documentary film on the contribution of Andhra Pradesh in the Indian Freedom Struggle written by N. Narasimah Rao and approved by the Government of Andhra Pradesh was submitted to the Film Division, Bombay ;

(b) whether the same has been pending for further approval of the Editorial Board nominated by the Ministry since 1985 ;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons for the delay in giving approval and assignment for the production of the said documentary film ; and

(d) by when the approval and assignment for the production of the documentary is likely to be given ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The script has been examined by the Editorial Board. The Board has suggested some changes. A final decision about the production and assignment of the film will depend upon the availability of financial resources.

F. M. Radio Stations

1603. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the number of F. M. Radio Stations functionig in the country and at what places ; and

(b) what are the features of F. M. Radio stations which distinguish them from Short Wave and Medium Wave stations and what are their advantages ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL) : (a) and (b) 4 Frequency Modulated transmitters are functioning at Delhi, Calcutta, Bombay and Madras.

The F.M. (VHF) broadcast is in the higher frequency band, which is free from noise and therefore, Lower Power Transmitters are sufficient for providing good coverage. The service is interference free and its coverage during day and night time remains unchanged. In quality also, F. M. transmissions are superior as compared to Medium Wave or Short Wave.

Intext Service of Doordarshan

1604. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) at which T.V. stations an 'Intext' service has been introduced by doordarshan ; and

(b) an estimate of the T.V. sets in use in the country which have the facility of viewing the 'Intext' service?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL) : (a) Intext Service has been introduced by Doordarshan at Delhi.

(b) About 130 TV sets with decoders for reception of Intext service have been provided by Doordarhsan at high visibility points for the purpose of demonstration and monitoring. In addition, 252 decoders have been sold by Electronic Trade & Technology Development Corporation, a Govt. of India undertaking, to public sector and private manufacturers of TV sets and some other organisations. Information about the exact number of TV sets in use with these decoders is not available.

Setting up of a Body for Urbanisation in the Country

1605. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to set up a body to go into the problems of rapid growth of urbanisation in the country to provide civic services like housing, transportation, medical and other facilities to the growing population in the cities ; and

(b) if so, the details of its constitution and by when it is likely to start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) and (b) The Government of India has set up a National Commission on Urbanisation on 4-10-1985 to examine the problems of urban development and to determine and suggest programmes and strategies of urban development in the country. The Commission will study demographic, employment, physical, fiscal, shelter, aesthetic and cultural aspects of urbanisation. The composition of the commission is given in the enclosed statement.